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S E C R E T KINGSTON 7092

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY VAKY FROM AMBASSADOR IRVING

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: VE, OAS, NU
SUBJECT: REQUEST FROM VENEZUELA FOR MFM ON NICARAGUA

REF: STATE 227780 (HEWITT-DUBOSE TELCON)

1. IN ADDITION TO SUGGESTION THAT FONMIN PATTERSON BE
CONTACTED IN NEW YORK WE MADE APPROACH PER REFTTEL TO MFA PERSEC. DON
BRICE, WHO IS THE SENIOR MFA OFFICIAL IN KINGSTON AT
THE MOMENT. FONMIN P.J. PATTERSON IS STILL IN NEW
YORK, AND WILL RETURN TO KINGSTON SEPTEMBER 9.

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2. WE ALSO HAVE ARRANGED FOR PM MANLEY TO BE APPRISED
OF OUR APPROACH. HE IS NOT IN KINGSTON, BUT HIS
RIGHT-HAND MAN, PERSEC GORDON WELLS, SAID THAT HE
WOULD CONTACT HIM OVER THE WEEKEND AND TELL HIM OF
OUR APPROACH.

3. BRICE WAS NON-COMMITTAL ON SUBSTANCE AND SAID THAT JAMAICA HAS TAKEN THE POSITION THAT THE OAS AND NOT THE SECURITY COUNCIL SHOULD DISCUSS THE NICARAGUAN SITUATION, BUT HAS NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER TO SUPPORT VENEZUELA'S REQUEST FOR AN MFM.

4. BRICE SAID THAT HE WOULD TRY HARD TO GET A DECISION DURING THE WEEKEND ON DELAYING THE VOTE ON MFM CON-VOCATION FOR A WEEK, BUT COULD NOT PROMISE A DECISION BEFORE MONDAY. THE CABINET WILL MEET MONDAY MORNING AND THE FONMIN MIGHT DECIDE TO DISCUSS IT IN THE CABINET MEETING. HE ADDED THAT IT IS A "DELICATE" MATTER SINCE VENEZUELA "PULLS A LOT OF WEIGHT" IN INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS. (READ THIS AS MEANING JAMAICA).
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